

**199—15.9(476) System emergencies.** For purposes of this rule, “electric utility” means a rate-regulated electric utility. Qualifying facilities and AEP facilities shall be required to provide energy or capacity to an electric utility during a system emergency only to the extent:

**15.9(1)** Provided by agreement between the qualifying facility or AEP facility and the electric utility;  
or

**15.9(2)** Ordered under Section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act. During any system emergency, an electric utility may immediately discontinue:

*a.* Purchases from qualifying facilities and AEP facilities if purchases would contribute to the emergency; and

*b.* Sales to qualifying facilities and AEP facilities, provided that the discontinuance is on a nondiscriminatory basis.